

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

# INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT AGENCY HEADQUARTERS, U.S. ARMY GARRISON, ALASKA AND FORT RICHARDSON (PROV) 724 POSTAL SERVICE LOOP #6000 FORT RICHARDSON, ALASKA 99505-6000

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Fort Richardson Well-Being Action Council (WBAC)/Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) Steering Committee Meeting Minutes 25 July 2006

- 1. The United States Army Garrison, Alaska (USAG-AK) Garrison Commander called the Fort Richardson WBAC meeting to order at 1330 in Building 1, Chaney Conference Room. He welcomed everyone and turned the meeting over to the Well-Being (WB) Coordinator.
- 2. The meeting was attended by the following:

USAG-AK&FRA GC	USAG-AK&FR CSM	WB Coordinator
Mayor Program	167 <sup>th</sup> BSB	Arctic MP BN
4/25 <sup>TH</sup> BSTB	59 <sup>th</sup> SIG	Retiree Council
EO	EEO	Civilian Employee Rep
4/25 ABCT	3-509 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup> CSB
TMC	PMO	SJA
Chaplain	DOL	MWR
DHR	1102 <sup>nd</sup> GSU	ACS
Mrs. Jacoby	Mrs. McClain	AFAP
AAFES		

## 3. Old business.

- a. The WB Coordinator briefed the council on the disposition of the old AFAP issues.
- b. The WB Coordinator briefed the council on the ICE organizational activity report copy attached. Garrison Commander emphasized to the directors the importance of contacting customers requesting a response.
- c. Alcohol survey. Council was briefed on the preliminary results of the Alcohol Abuse survey currently being conducted through 31 July. The results will be utilized by the Installation Prevention Team (IPT) to fine tune its prevention/education efforts.

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### 4. New business:

- a. The DMWR briefed the WBAC on its activities holidays operating hours. There were several issues raised about the provision of child care during training holidays particularly when Soldiers are deployed. The DMWR representative indicated that as long as the family member or Soldier has a letter from the supervisor stating the individual is required to work, the care will be provided.
- b. Review of new 2006 AFAP Issues. WBAC determined each issue (slides attached) as follows:
- (1) Exceptional Family Member Program: The council voted to defer this issue to examine the need and to surface the matter during the NAF charette process.
- (2) Availability of Extended 24-Hour Childcare: The council voted to defer this issue until a survey is implemented to ascertain the need. Efforts will be redoubled to recruit additional family child care providers.
- (3) Pedestrian Safety in School Zones: This issue was voted closed by the Council as a non WBAC issue.
- (4) Drive-Up Mail Box at the Post Office: The Council voted issue closed as unattainable.
- (5) Fences: The Council voted issue closed as unattainable. Individuals can still install fences as long as they comply with DPW safety, security, and sound installation requirements.
- (6) Damages Housing Conditions on FRA: After a thorough discussion, the Council voted to defer and monitor this issue. Occupants will be informed through the AK Post they can contact DPW to request an inspection to ensure compliance with housing standards.
- (7) Cold Weather Plug-Ins: New housing construction will include new weather plug-ins. In the meantime, the condition of the existing plugs will be added to the housing inspection check list. The council voted to defer this issue until the next meeting.
  - (8) Housing Maintenance: The Council voted this issue closed completed.

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- (9) Seconds at the Dining Facility: This issue was voted closed completed.
- (10) FRA CMH/SWS Staffing: This issue was voted closed completed. The various existing services will be advertised in the AK Post.
- (11) Substandard care of female Soldiers: This issue was voted closed completed.
- (12) DLA for Soldiers on retirement orders: The Council voted this issue closed completed. Education/awareness on this issue will be implemented.
  - (13) Walkway to FRA ranges: The council voted this issue closed unattainable.
- (14) Off-Post Housing: The council voted this issue closed completed. A survey is being implemented and the result will be forwarded to DA to determine the new rates in Jan 2007.
- (15) Warrior Leader Course: The council voted this issue closed as a non issue. NCO Academy is satisfied with the current hours at the DFAC.
- 5. Information/questions/comments. The council welcomed the new Jr. Enlisted Family Member as a voting member. The regulation governing report of survey on damages in housing will be forwarded through the AFAP 2007 for revision.
- 6. Closing remarks. The USAG-AK Commander thanked the council members for their attendance and participation.
- 7. Meeting was adjourned at 1500.
- 8. POC for these minutes is the WB Management Office.

// original signed // DAVID L. SHUTT COL, AR Commanding

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